

AP15 Rec'd PCT/PTO 27 DEC 2005

Approved for use through 07/31/2006. OMB 0651-0031  
U.S. Patent and Trademark Office; U.S. DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE  
a collection of information unless it contains a valid OMB control number.  
**Complete if Known**

# INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT BY APPLICANT

*(Use as many sheets as necessary)*

Sheet 1 of 2

**Complete if Known**

Application Number	
Filing Date	12/27/2005
First Named Inventor	Andreas Ewald Heinrich BERNARD
Art Unit	
Examiner Name	
Attorney Docket Number	W1.2306 PCT-US

10/562468

U. S. PATENT DOCUMENTS

[illegible]

FOREIGN PATENT DOCUMENTS

FOREIGN PATENT DOCUMENTS						
Examiner Initials*	Cite No. <sup>1</sup>	Foreign Patent Document		Publication Date MM-DD-YYYY	Name of Patentee or Applicant of Cited Document	Pages, Columns, Lines, Where Relevant Passages or Relevant Figures Appear
		Country Code <sup>3</sup>	Number <sup>4</sup> Kind Code <sup>5</sup> (if known)			
/D.H.B./	1	DE	196 03 663	08/07/1997	Blechs Schmidt et al.	
/D.H.B./	2	DE	43 06 098	09/01/1994	Flade et al.	
/D.H.B./	3	DE	40 12 396	10/31/1991	Mamberer	
/D.H.B./	4	EP	1 125 734	01/25/2001	Doullard et al.	
/D.H.B./	5	EP	0 699 524	08/18/1995	Hajek et al.	
Examiner Signature	/David Banh/					

<p><b>*EXAMINER:</b> Initial if reference considered, whether or not citation is in conformance with MPEP 609. Draw line through citation if not in conformance and not considered. Include copy of this form with next communication to applicant. 1 Applicant's unique citation designation number (optional). 2 See Kinds Codes of USPTO Patent Documents at <a href="http://www.uspto.gov">www.uspto.gov</a> or MPEP 901.04. 3 Enter Office that issued the document, by the two-letter code (WIPO Standard ST.3). 4 For Japanese patent documents, the indication of the year of the reign of the Emperor must precede the serial number of the patent document. 5 Kind of document by the appropriate symbols as indicated on the document under WIPO Standard ST.16 if possible. 6 Applicant is to place a check mark here if English language Translation is attached.</p> <p>This collection of information is required by 37 CFR 1.97 and 1.98. The information is required to obtain or retain priority of an application. Confidentiality is governed by 35 U.S.C. 122. On the application, including gathering, preparing, and submitting, the information is required to obtain or retain priority of an application.</p>	<p>Date Considered</p> <p>01/30/2008</p>
---	--

This collection of information is required by 37 CFR 1.97 and 1.98. The information is required to obtain or retain a benefit by the public which is to file (and by the USPTO to process) an application. Confidentiality is governed by 35 U.S.C. 122 and 37 CFR 1.14. This collection is estimated to take 2 hours to complete, including gathering, preparing, and submitting the completed application form to the USPTO. Time will vary depending upon the individual case. Any comments on the amount of time you require to complete this form and/or suggestions for reducing this burden, should be sent to the Chief Information Officer, U.S. Patent and Trademark Office, U.S. Department of Commerce, P.O. Box 1450, Alexandria, VA 22313-1450. DO NOT SEND FEES OR COMPLETED FORMS TO THIS ADDRESS. SEND TO: Commissioner for Patents, P.O. Box 1450, Alexandria, VA 22313-1450.

*If you need assistance in completing the form, call 1-800-PTO-9199 and select option 2.*

10362488 - GAU.  
27 DEC 2005

PTO/SB/08a (07.05)

Approved for use through 07/31/2006. PTO/SB/08a (07-05)

U.S. Patent and Trademark Office; U.S. DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

Approved for use through 07/31/2006. OMB 0651-0031  
U.S. Patent and Trademark Office; U.S. DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE  
Under the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995, no persons are required to respond to a collection of information unless it contains a valid OMB control number.  
Substitute for form 1449A/PTO

Substitute for form 1449A/PTO

# INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT BY APPLICANT

(Use as many sheets as necessary)

Sheet	2	of	2
-------	---	----	---

**Complete if Known**

Application Number

10/562468

Filing Date

12/27/2005

**First Named Inventor**

Andreas Ewald Heinrich BERNARD

**Art Unit**

**Examiner Name**

Attorney Docket Number

W1.2306 PCT-US

**U. S. PATENT DOCUMENTS**

[illegible]

**FOREIGN PATENT DOCUMENTS**

FOREIGN PATENT DOCUMENTS						
Examiner Initials*	Cite No. <sup>1</sup>	Foreign Patent Document		Publication Date MM-DD-YYYY	Name of Patentee or Applicant of Cited Document	Pages, Columns, Lines, Where Relevant Passages or Relevant Figures Appear
		Country Code <sup>3</sup>	Number <sup>4</sup> Kind Code <sup>5</sup> (if known)			
/D.H.B./	6	EP	0 699 524 B1	08/18/1995	Hajek et al.	
/D.H.B./	7	EP	0 243 811	04/16/1987	Bayerlein et al.	
/D.H.B./	8	GB	2 309 668	08/06/1997	Blechschiidt et al.	
/D.H.B./	9	GB	2 275 444	08/31/1994	Flade et al.	

**Examiner  
Signature**

/David Banh/

Date Considered

01/30/2008

<p>*EXAMINER: Initial if reference considered, whether or not citation is in conformance with MPEP 609. Draw line through citation if not in conformance and considered. Include copy of this form with next communication to applicant. 1 Applicant's unique citation designation number (optional). 2 See Kinds Codes of USPTO Patent Documents at <a href="http://www.uspto.gov">www.uspto.gov</a> or MPEP 901.04. 3 Enter Office that issued the document, by the two-letter code (WIPO Standard ST.3). 4 For Japanese patent documents, the indication of the year of the reign of the Emperor must precede the serial number of the patent document. 5 Kind of document by the appropriate symbols as indicated on the document under WIPO Standard ST.16 if possible. 6 Applicant is to place a check mark here if English language Translation is attached.</p> <p>This collection of information is required by 37 CFR 1.97 and 1.98.</p>	<p>Considered</p>	<p>01/30/2008</p>
--	-------------------	-------------------

This collection of information is required by 37 CFR 1.97 and 1.98. The information is required to obtain or retain a benefit by the public which is to file (and by the USPTO to process) an application. Confidentiality is governed by 35 U.S.C. 122 and 37 CFR 1.14. This collection is estimated to take 2 hours to complete, including gathering, preparing, and submitting the completed application form to the USPTO. Time will vary depending upon the individual case. Any comments on the amount of time you require to complete this form and/or suggestions for reducing this burden, should be sent to the Chief Information Officer, U.S. Patent and Trademark Office, U.S. Department of Commerce, P.O. Box 1450, Alexandria, VA 22313-1450. DO NOT SEND FEES OR COMPLETED FORMS TO THIS ADDRESS. SEND TO: Commissioner for Patents, P.O. Box 1450, Alexandria, VA 22313-1450.

*If you need assistance in completing the form, call 1-800-PTO-9199 and select option 2.*